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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 May 2007 amendment.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15, 17-20, 22-32, 34-41 and 43-47 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 41 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15, 17-20, 22-32, 34-40 and 43-47 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 08 April 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments filed May 15, 2007 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant argues that Sandhu does not teach *transmitting with speech and/or data information about the location of a mobile device in response to the transmitting of speech and/or data*, the Examiner disagrees. Sandhu teaches exchanging messages that include location stamps. Sandhu states in Column 8, Lines 11-17 that "communication may be in the form of a phone call, e-mail, instant messaging, or chatting.....the exchanged messages may...". Therefore, one mobile device may respond to another thus providing the limitation of *transmitting with speech and/or data information about the location of a mobile device in response to the transmitting of speech and/or data*. The predetermined transmission resource is equated with the communication system of Sandhu, which provides communication resources.

2. Applicant further argues that Kinnunen teaches that a location server attaches the source of the location information and that neither of the asserted references teach a mobile device including information regarding a method with which the location was determined with the location information. The Examiner is uncertain as to whether the Applicants is not arguing or perhaps did not consider that the combination of Sandhu and Kinnunen teach this limitation. Sandhu teaches in Column 2, Lines 36-41 that "A mobile unit tracks its own location through a location – determining technology, for example GPS, time difference of arrival (TDOA), or angle of arrival (AOA)... The mobile unit encapsulates the location data and the user input in an outbound package". Kinnunen et al. teaches including the location determination method with the location to indicate the reliability of the location information. Being that the mobile unit of

Sandhu tracks its own location and encapsulates the location into an outbound package, it would follow that the mobile unit encapsulates the location determination method into the outbound package as well so that the other devices can determine the reliability of the location information.

3. Regarding Applicants arguments of claims 26 and 27, the Examiner has combined references to show these teachings. Sandhu teaches sending location information, Kinnunen teaches including the location determination method with the location to indicate the reliability of the location information and the combination of Sandhu and Kinnunen provides the mobile station of sending a message including the location and location determination method (see response to argument #2).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claims 1 & 25 recites the limitation "predetermined resource". There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless – (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 25, 38, 45 and 46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Sandhu et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,867,733).

Referring to claims 25, 45 and 46, Sandhu et al teaches a data communication method in a communication system (Column 2, lines 34-35), comprising: transmitting and receiving speech and/or data by means of a mobile device of the communication system and by using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61), determining the location of the mobile device of the communication system (Column 2, Lines 36-38), and in response to the transmitting of speech and / or data using the predetermined resource (Column 8, Lines 11-17, one mobile device may respond to another), transmitting with the speech or data, information about the location of the mobile device to a predetermined group of users by using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61) taking predefined privacy levels assigned to predetermined groups or to users belonging to predetermined groups are taken into account in the transmission of information about the location of the mobile device and wherein the location information is unrelated to the speech or data transmission by the predetermined transmission resource (Column 5, Lines 53-65). The predetermined transmission resource is equated with the communication system of Sandhu, which provides communication resources.

Referring to claim 38, Sandhu et al teaches a telecommunication system (Column 2, lines 34-35), comprising: mobile devices and at least one network element (Figure 1), the system comprising means to determine the location of a mobile device (Column 2, Lines 36-38), transmitting means in the mobile device to transmit speech and/or data to the network element by

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using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61), and to transmit information about the location of the mobile device by using the same predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61) in response to the transmitting of speech and / or data (Column 8, Lines 11-17, one mobile device may respond to another), wherein predefined privacy levels assigned to predetermined groups or to users belonging to predetermined groups are taken into account in the transmission of information about the location of the mobile device (Column 5, Lines 53-65), a network server configured to receive information about the location of the mobile device (Figure 4), and a network server configured to store the information (Figure 4).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

5. Claims 1-9, 12, 14, 18-20, 22-24, 28-30, 35, 36, 39, 40 and 43 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al in view of Kinnunen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,544,225).

Referring to claims 1, 28, 35, 40 and 43, Sandhu et al teaches a data communication method in a communication system (Column 2, lines 34-35), comprising: transmitting and

receiving speech and/or data by means of a mobile device of the communication system and by using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61), determining the location of the mobile device of the communication system (Column 2, Lines 36-38), in response to the transmitting of speech and / or data using the predetermined resource (Column 8, Lines 11-17, one mobile device may respond to another), transmitting with the speech or data, information about the location of the mobile device to a predetermined group of users by using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61), but does not teach wherein the location information includes information regarding a method with which the location was determined. Kinnunen et al. teaches wherein the location information includes information regarding a method with which the location was determined (Column 2, Lines 22-24, 47 & 58-64 and Column 8, Lines 62-65). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al with the teaching of Kinnunen et al. wherein the location information includes information regarding a method with which the location was determined to indicate the accuracy of the location data (Column 8, Lines 36-38). The predetermined transmission resource is equated with the communication system of Sandhu, which provides communication resources.

Referring to claim 40, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the time when the location was determined is included in the location information (Column 4, Line 66 to Column 5, Line 2).

Referring to claim 2, Sandhu et al further teaches determining the location in the mobile device (Column 2, Line 36).

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Referring to claims 3 and 30, Sandhu et al further teaches determining the location using a satellite positioning system (Column 2, Lines 37).

Referring to claims 4 and 29, Sandhu et al. further teaches establishing a packet switched connection between the mobile device and a network element of the communication system as the predetermined transmission resource (Figure 2, 32).

Referring to claim 5, Sandhu et al further teaches transmitting information about the location in response to a command given by the user of the device (Column 2, Lines 39-43).

Referring to claim 6, Sandhu et al further teaches detecting a change in the location of the mobile device; transmitting information about the location on the basis of the detection (Column 3, Lines 2-5 & Column 6, Lines 11-14).

Referring to claim 7, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the mobile device is participating a group call (Column 5, Lines 38-43 and Column 8, Lines 11-12).

Referring to claim 8, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the predetermined group of users is participating in a group call (Column 5, Lines 38-43 & Column 8, Lines 11-12).

Referring to claim 9, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein at least one user of the predetermined group of users receives the information about the location using a mobile device (Column 2, Lines 34-35).

Referring to claim 12, Sandhu et al further teach wherein at least one packet comprising information about the location is transmitted among speech or data packets (Column 2, Lines 39-43 and Column 7, Lines 37-39).

Referring to claim 14, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the information about the location of the mobile device is sent as a separate message (Column 6, Lines 4-6 and Column 4, Lines 64-66).

Referring to claim 18, Sandhu et al further teaches receiving a location query from the system (Column 6, Lines 4-6), and determining and transmitting information about the location of the mobile device in response to the query (Column 5, Line 67). The mobile device request is from the system.

Referring to claim 19, Sandhu et al. further teaches wherein each device participating in the group call transmits information about its location to a predetermined participant in the group call (Column 2, Lines 39-43), and the predetermined participant in the group call transmits the information about the location of each device to all participants (Column 2, Lines 58-62). Examiner equates the service provider server with the predetermined participant.

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Referring to claim 20, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the time when location was determined is included in the location information (Column 4, Line 66 to Column 5, Line 2).

Referring to claim 22, Sandhu et al further teaches transmitting location information to a network server connected to the communication system (Column 2, Lines 39-43 and Figure 4), and storing location information in the network server (Figure 4).

Referring to claim 23, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the location information is sent without intervention by the user of the device (Column 4, Lines 63-66).

Referring to claim 24, Sandhu et al further teaches wherein the information about the location of the mobile device is used as input information for an application running in a mobile device or a computer (Column 3, Lines 6-10).

Referring to claim 36, Sandhu et al further teaches further comprising a network element configured to act as a group management server (Column 8, Lines 36-38) and at least two mobile devices configured to participate in a group call (Column 2, Lines 34-35 & 58-62 and Column 5, Lines 35-47).

Referring to claim 39, Sandhu et al further teaches a network server configured to transmit location information relating to a mobile device to a group of other devices (Column 2, Lines 58-62 and Figure 4).

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6. Claim 10 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. in view of Jones (US Patent Publication No. 2003/0079135)

Referring to claim 10, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 10, but do not teach wherein at least one user receives the information about the location by using a personal computer. Jones teaches wherein at least one user receives the information about the location by using a personal computer (0012 and Figure 1, 19). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Jones wherein at least one user receives the information about the location by using a personal computer to allow others to monitor progress on a journey (0012).

7. Claims 11 and 44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. in view of Kennedy, III et al. (US Patent No. 5,544,225)

Referring to claim 11, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 10, but do not teach wherein at least one packet comprising information about the location replaces at least one speech or data packet. Kennedy, III et al. teaches wherein at least one packet comprising information about the location replaces at least one speech or data packet (Column 22, Lines 35-45). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Kennedy, II et al. wherein at least one packet comprising information about

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the location replaces at least one speech or data packet to provide location information via a voice or data connection (Column 8, Lines 54-56).

Referring to claim 44, Sandhu et al further teaches the distribution medium comprising a computer readable medium (Figure 2, 17-i), a program storage medium (Column 2, Lines 58-62 and Figure 4), a record medium (Column 2, Lines 38-39), a computer readable memory (Column 2, 17-i), a computer readable software distribution package (Column 4, Line 10), a computer readable signal (Figure 1), a computer readable telecommunications signal (Figure 1), and although Sandhu et al teaches using a PDA and Laptop he does not specifically state using a compressed software package. Kennedy HI et al teaches using a compressed software package (Column 9, Lines 57-60). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Kennedy HI et al of using a compressed software package to provide location information via a voice or data connection (Column 8, Lines 54-56).

8. Claim 13 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. in view of Schuster et al. (US Patent No. 6,577,622).

Referring to claim 13, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 13, but do not teach wherein each packet comprises information about whether it contains speech, data or information about the location of the mobile device. Schuster et al. teaches wherein each packet comprises information about whether it contains speech, data or information about the

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location of the mobile device (Column 18, Lines 27-32). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Schuster et al. wherein each packet comprises information about whether it contains speech, data or information about the location of the mobile device to enable an application to identify the type of packet (Column 18, Lines 27-32).

9. Claims 15, 32 and 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. in view of Salovuori (US Patent Publication No. 2002/0196781).

Referring to claim 15, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 15, but do not teach detecting a pressing of a predetermined key of the mobile device, activating speech transmission on the basis of the detection. Salovuori teaches detecting a pressing of a predetermined key of the mobile device, activating speech transmission on the basis of the detection (0052). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Salovuori of detecting a pressing of a predetermined key of the mobile device, activating speech transmission on the basis of the detection in a group call to request resources for speech (0052).

Referring to claim 32, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 32, but do not teach a keyboard with at least one key, means to detect a pressing of a predetermined key of the keyboard, means to activate speech transmission on the basis of the detection. Salovuori teaches a keyboard with at least one key, means to detect a pressing of a predetermined key of the keyboard, means to activate speech transmission on the basis of the detection (0052). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Salovuori of a keyboard with at least one key, means to detect a pressing of a predetermined key of the keyboard, means to activate speech transmission on the basis of the detection to request resources for speech in a group call (0052). Examiner equates keyboard with user interface keys.

Referring to claim 37, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 37, but do not teach keyboard with at least one key, means to detect a pressing of a predetermined key of the keyboard, and means to signal a transmission request to the network element on the basis of the detection, wherein the network element is configured to receive the request and allocate transmission turns between the mobile devices on the basis of the requests received from the mobile stations.. Salovuori teaches keyboard with at least one key, means to detect a pressing of a predetermined key of the keyboard, and means to signal a transmission request to the network element on the basis of the detection, wherein the network element is configured to receive the request and allocate transmission turns between the mobile devices on the basis of the requests received from the mobile stations (0052). Therefore at the time the invention was made,

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it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Salovuori of a keyboard with at least one key, means to detect a pressing of a predetermined key of the keyboard, and means to signal a transmission request to the network element on the basis of the detection, wherein the network element is configured to receive the request and allocate transmission turns between the mobile devices on the basis of the requests received from the mobile stations to request resources for speech in a group call (0052). Examiner equates keyboard with user interface keys.

10. Claim 17 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al, Kinnunen et al. and Salovuori and further in view of Haartsen (US Patent Publication No. 2003/0048806)

Referring to claim 17, Sandhu et al, Kinnunen et al. and Salovuori teach the limitations of claim 17 including transmitting location information, but do not teach transmitting the information in a predefined part of the transmission. Haartsen teaches transmitting the information in a predefined part of the transmission (Figure 2). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al, Kinnunen et al. and Salovuori with the teaching of Haartsen of transmitting the information in a predefined part of the transmission to prevent address contention in address list generation in overlapping, uncoordinated networks (0002).

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11. Claim 26 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al. in view of Grube et al. (US Patent No. 6,885,874)

Referring to claim 26, Sandhu et al. teaches the limitations of claim 26, but does not teach wherein transmission of location related information is triggered by an external event detected by a sensor of the mobile device. Grube et al. teaches wherein transmission of location related information is triggered by an external event detected by a sensor of the mobile device (Column 3, Lines 45-51). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al. with the teaching of Grube et al. wherein transmission of location related information is triggered by an external event detected by a sensor of the mobile device to provide a group call with location sharing (Column 3, Lines 18-20).

12. Claim 27 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al. in view of Kennedy, III et al.

Referring to claim 27, Sandhu et al. teaches the limitations of claim 27, but does not teach wherein transmission of location related information is triggered by a voice command or a sound. Kennedy, III et al. teaches wherein transmission of location related information is triggered by a voice command or a sound (Column 8, Lines 12-14 and Column 14, Lines 29-31). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al. with the teaching of Kennedy, III et al.

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wherein transmission of location related information is triggered by a voice command or a sound to provide location information via a voice or data connection (Column 8, Lines 54-56).

13. Claim 31 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. in view of Tano et al. (US Patent No. 5,828,987)

Referring to claim 31, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 31, but do not teach determining the location of the mobile device using an inertia navigation arrangement. Tano et al. teaches determining the location of the mobile device using an inertia navigation arrangement (Column 2, Lines 2-19). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Tano et al. of determining the location of the mobile device using an inertia navigation arrangement to provide location data when GPS reception is difficult due to tunnels and other obstacles blocking the GPS signals (Column 1, lines 8-12).

14. Claim 34 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. and further in view of Haartsen.

Referring to claim 34, Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. teach the limitations of claim 34 including transmitting location information, but do not teach transmitting the information in a predefined part of the transmission. Haartsen teaches transmitting the information in a

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predefined part of the transmission (Figure 2). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Kinnunen et al. with the teaching of Haartsen of transmitting the information in a predefined part of the transmission to prevent address contention in address list generation in overlapping, uncoordinated networks (0002).

15. Claim 47 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sandhu et al in view of Silventoinen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,108,553) and further in view of Kinnunen et al.

Referring to claim 47, Sandhu et al teaches a data communication method in a communication system (Column 2, lines 34-35), comprising: transmitting and receiving speech and/or data by means of a mobile device of the communication system and by using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61), various location determining technologies (Column 2, Lines 36-38), determining the location of the mobile device of the communication system (Column 2, Lines 36-38), transmitting with the speech or data~ information about the location of the mobile device to a predetermined group of users by using a predetermined transmission resource (Column 2, Lines 58-61) in response to the transmitting of speech and / or data (Column 8, Lines 11-17, one mobile device may respond to another), but does not teach wherein the location information includes timing information of received signals. Silventoinen et al. teaches wherein the location information includes timing information of received signals (Column 3, Lines 5-10). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al.

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with the teaching of Silventoinen et al. wherein the location information includes timing information of received signals as a means to calculate the position of the mobile station (Column 3, Lines 5-6). Sandhu et al. and Silventoinen et al. teach the limitations of claim 47, but do not teach wherein the location information includes information regarding a method with which the location was determined. Kinnunen et al. teaches wherein the location information includes information regarding a method with which the location was determined (Column 2, Lines 22-24, 47 & 58-64 and Column 8, Lines 62-65). Therefore at the time the invention was made, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teaching of Sandhu et al and Silventoinen et al with the teaching of Kinnunen et al. wherein the location information includes information regarding a method with which the location was determined to indicate the accuracy of the location data (Column 8, Lines 36-38).

Allowable Subject Matter

16. Claim 41 is allowed. The reason for allowable subject matter is provided below:

Referring to claim 41, the references cited do not teach a network server configured to receive a location information request, to send location information updated within a given time limit as a response to the request, and to request the updating of location information not updated within the given time limit.

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Conclusion

17. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James D. Ewart whose telephone number is (571) 272-7864. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7am - 4pm. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William Trost can be reached on (571) 272-7872. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (571) 273-8300 for regular communications and (571) 273-8300 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600.

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